

Mr. Williamson moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 184 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 184 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Canals and Telegraphs.

Mr. Reeves moved that the Senate adjourn.

Mr. Thompson move that the Senate adjourn to 8 p. m.

Mr. Darby moved to adjourn to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 10 o'clock Wednesday, April 17, 1895.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 1895.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Fleming, Genovar, Hartridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McKinney, McLeran, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Thompson, Wadsworth, Weeks and Williamson—30.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

The President handed down the following communication from the Comptroller:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, STATE OF FLORIDA. }
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE. }
TALLAHASSEE, April 17, 1895. }

HON. FRED. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—In response to Senate Resolution of the 16th inst., I respectfully submit the following statement, showing the names of the banks, the amount of capital stock, and the assessed valuation of such stock for taxation, under chapter

4117, Laws of Florida, as shown by the assessment rolls of 1894, on file in this office.

Very respectfully,

W. D. BLOXHAM,

Comptroller.

NATIONAL BANKS.

	Capital Stock.	Assessed valua- tion from a-sess- ment rolls of 1894.
First National Bank of Gaines- ville.....	\$ 50,000 00	\$ 16,600 00
First National Bank of Florida	50,000 00	22,500 00
Merchants National Bank of Jacksonville	100,000 00	36,000 00
National Bank of Jacksonville	150,000 00	76,500 00
National Bank of the State of Florida.....	100,000 00	50,000 00
Citizens' National Bank of Pen- sacola.....	100,000 00	30,000 00
First National Bank of Pensa- cola.....	100,000 00	45,500 00
First National Bank of Tampa	50,000 00	27,000 00
First National Bank of Talla- hassee.....	50,000 00	19,600 00
First National Bank of Ocala	50,000 00	105,000 00
Merchants National Bank of Ocala	100,000 00	50,000 00
First National Bank of Key West.....	100,000 00	35,000 00
First National Bank of Fernan- dina	50,000 00	18,702 00
First National Bank of Sanford	50,000 00	50,000 00
Putnam National Bank of Pa- latka	50,000 00	18,000 00
Polk County National Bank of Bartow.....	50,000 00	25,000 00
First National Bank of St. Au- gustine.....	100,000 00	15,000 00
Total.....	\$1,300,000 00	\$640,402 00

STATE BANKS.

	Capital Stock.	Assessed Val- uation from Assessment Rolls of 1894.
Brevard County State Bank.....	\$ 25,000 00	\$ 10,000 00
Indian River State Bank.....	25,000 00	10,000 00
Melbourne State Bank.....	15,000 00	6,000 00
State Bank of Eau Gallie.....	14,610 00	6,000 00
Dade County State Bank.....	15,000 00	15,700 00
Quincy State Bank.....	60,000 00	13,660 00
Brooksville State Bank.....	15,000 00	10,000 00
Jefferson County State Bank....	40,000 00	11,730 00
Leesburg and County State Bank	25,000 00	12,500 00
Bank of Tavares.....	15,000 00	8,995 00
State Savings B'k of Tallahassee,	20,000 00	8,400 00
Union Bank of Key West.....	50,000 00	17,000 00
State Bank of Orlando.....	15,200 00	15,200 00
Merchants Bank of Orlando.....	13,800 00	13,800 00
State Bank of Fort Meade.....	15,000 00	6,250 00
Bank of Pasco County.....	15,000 00	8,500 00
Volusia County Bank.....	50,000 00	15,000 00
Southern Savings and Trust Co.,	150,000 00	37,500 00
Savings and Trust Bank of Fla.,	29,250 00	5,980 00
East Fla. Savings and Trust Co.,	20,000 00	6,500 00
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	\$627,860 00	\$238,715 00

Mr. Bitch moved that the report be spread upon the Journal and the reading of said or part be dispensed with.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

Introduction of Bills.

By Mr. Thompson:

Senate Memorial No. 185:

A memorial to Congress asking that the improvement of Cumberland Sound be placed on the list of continued appropriations.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Memorial No. 185 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Memorial No. 185 was read first time by its title.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be further waived, and Senate Memorial No. 185 be read a second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Memorial No. 185 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Memorial No. 185 was read third time in full.

Upon call of roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mes-srs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Fleming, Genovar, Hartfridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McKinney, McLeran, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Thompson, Wadsworth, Weeks and Williamson—27.

Nays—None.

So the memorial passed, title as stated.

By Mr. Chipley:

Senate Bill No. 186:

A bill to be entitled an act to compel the payment of debts contracted for labor in bankable currency.

Mr. Chipley moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 186 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 186 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McLeran:

Senate Bill No. 187:

A bill to be entitled an act concerning notice of sale of property levied on and to provide for such notice in certain cases.

Mr. McLeran moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 187 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 187 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Palmer of 14th (by request):

Senate Bill No. 188:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1265, of chapter 25, article 2, of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 188 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 188 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Consideration of Resolutions.

The following resolution of Mr. Palmer of 14th, which was laid over from yesterday:

Whereas, the members of the Senate are interested in being reported truthfully in all matters pertaining to their official duties, and should set their disapproval of all matters of misrepresentation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate do set their disapproval and declare false the report of the Daily Florida Citizen of April 14th inst., wherein they say "Palmer goes for Railroads." Mr. Palmer of 14th made an anti railroad speech, and Williamson followed with a conservative talk, saying that the senators were legislating on a measure for relief of the taxpayers, without regard to railroads or individuals.

Mr. Palmer stated that the explanation made by The Citizen in Tuesday's paper, which he read, was not sufficient.

At the suggestion of Mr. Hartridge, consented to by the introducer of the resolution, consideration of the above resolution went over until Friday.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5 B:

Relative to appointment of joint committees to visit the deaf and dumb asylum, with an amendment.

Contained in House message of yesterday was taken up and read the second time, together with House amendment thereto, to-wit: reduce the number on committee from two on part of the Senate and three on part of the House to one on part of the Senate and two on part of the House.

Mr. Adams moved that the Senate concur in the amendment of the House;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Genovar was appointed on said committee on the part of the Senate.

By permission—

Mr. Daniel introduced:

Senate Bill No. 189:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Sneads, in the county of Jackson, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Sneads valid and of full force and effect.

Mr. Daniel moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 189 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 189 was read first time by its title.

Mr. Daniel moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 189 be read the second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 189 was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Daniel moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 189 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 189 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Bitch of 20th, Broome, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Fleming, Genovar, Hartridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McKinney, McLeran, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Thompson, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden and Williamson—29.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

By permission—

Mr. Palmer of 11th introduced:

Senate Bill No. 190:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Citizens' Bank and Trust Company, and to confer certain rights and privileges thereon.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 190 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 190 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Messages from the House.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 15, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 27:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal chapter 4222, Laws of Florida, being an act to organize and establish a county court in and for Suwannee county, and to provide for the compensation of the judge of said court and appointment of a pros-

ecuting attorney for said court, and to fix his compensation.
And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 27 be read first time by its title ;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 27 was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 15, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 5:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal chapter 4161, acts of 1893, entitled an act to appoint Inspectors of Weights and Measures, and for other purposes.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. McLeran moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 5 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 5 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 16, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has appointed—

Messrs. Gaskins of Bradford and Healy of Volusia a com-

mittee on the part of the House to act as a committee of conference on House amendment to Senate Bill No. 22.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Hartridge, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 11, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 179:

A bill to be entitled an act to allow sheriffs to receive current money in lieu of bonds from persons charged with bailable felonies or misdemeanors.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and recommend that the same do pass, with the following amendment, viz:

Add to section 1 the following words "provided that in cases of felony the order of the judge of the criminal court for the circuit in which the case is triable, authorizing the said deposit of money in place of a bond, be first had and obtained, and the bond of the sheriff shall be and is hereby made liable for all such sum or sums of money as may be so deposited."

Very respectfully,

JOHN E. HARTRIDGE,
Chairman Committee on Judiciary.

And the bill contained in the above report, together with the amendment offered by the committee, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Chipley, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 17, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Sepate Joint Resolution No. 178:

Relating to the balance due by the United States government to the State of Florida, and the partial payment thereof.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. D. CHURLEY.

Chairman Committee on Finance and Taxation.

And the Joint Resolution contained in the above report was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 16, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred the resolution of the Senate regarding the advisability of destroying the State bonds of 1871 and 1873 now in the sinking fund, beg to submit the following report:

The laws authorizing the issue of our seven and six per cent. bonds are in the nature of a contract between the purchasers of said bonds and the State, and provide with the utmost precision and care for the creation and preservation of a sinking fund for the ultimate redemption of said bonds. This is made evident by reference to sections 31, 36, 48, 49, 50 and 62 of chapter 13, McClellan's Digest.

For the Legislature of the State to attempt to violate that contract would be in the highest degree improper. It is true the State's credit is excellent, with her bonds commanding a premium; it is equally true that she has but \$357,700 bonds outstanding in the hands of individuals, and the destruction of her bonds in the sinking fund might not impair the present value of those outstanding, but the violation of her full and well guarded pledges by such a course, would lessen the value of any promises she might make in the future, and tend to cast an unnecessary taint upon her fair financial record.

The absorption of the State's bonds in her educational funds has been so rapid and great that it has not been found necessary to collect any interest upon those in the sinking fund for many years, and they are consequently not a burden upon her taxpayers. If these bonds inconvenience the vaults by their bulk, the proper remedy would be to consolidate them into manuscript bonds, which would attain the supposed object in view, and at the same time preclude any thought

that the State had in the remotest manner violated the law under which they were issued. Relief and security by this effective remedy has been obtained before, and your committee would recommend a law authorizing such consolidation.

Very respectfully,

W. D. CHIPLEY,

Chairman Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Mr. Perrenot, Chairman of the Committee on Commerce and Navigation, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 17, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Commerce and Navigation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 169 :

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent persons from enticing seamen to abandon their vessels.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined same, and recommend that it do pass with accompanying amendments:

That the words "a bill to be entitled," be inserted, and to precede the present title on the face of the bill.

Also,

On line 20 the word "fined" be stricken out and the words "a fine" be substituted therefor.

Also,

On line 23 the word "such" be inserted between the words "both" and "fine."

Very respectfully,

C. J. PERRENOT,

Chairman Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

And the bill contained in the above report, together with the amendments offered by the committee, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

A message was received from the Governor.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 17, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Commerce and Navigation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 128:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 936 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relative to the protection of ports and harbors.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and respectfully submit the following substitute therefor (see bill enclosed with original bill).

Also,

Senate Bill No. 131:

A bill to be entitled an act to vest in municipal corporations title to the water front thereof for the benefit of commerce, and to regulate subsequent conveyance thereof.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. J. PERRENOT,

Chairman Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

And the bill contained in the above report, together with the substitute offered by the committee for Senate Bill No. 128, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Reeves, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 17, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Memorial to Congress No. 55:

Asking for an appropriation for improving Santa Lucie or Prospect Inlet, east coast of Florida.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 84:

A bill to be entitled an act to permit creditors to maintain proceedings to set aside fraudulent conveyances made by their debtors, without first obtaining judgment against such debtor, and to provide for the adjudication in equity cases of the amount due such creditors by such debtors.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 38:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 1667, 1680 and 2009 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida relating to writs of garnishment.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 63:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 2434, 2435, 2437 and 2438, Revised Statutes, relating to breaking and entering a dwelling house, building, ship or vessel, or railroad car with intent to commit a misdemeanor or felony, and to prescribe rule of evidence in such cases.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and find them correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

L. J. REEVES,

Chairman Committee on Engrossed Bills.

And the bills contained in the above report were placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. McLeran, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 17, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act entitled an act to repeal an act to authorize the appointment of a State inspector of illuminating oils and fluids, and to define his duties, being chapter 4160 of the Laws of Florida.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

A. W. MCLELAN,

Chairman Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. McLeran, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 17, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to establish a criminal court of record in the county of Monroe.

Beg leave to report that they have delivered the same to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,
A. W. McLERAN,
Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The president handed down the following message from the Governor:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
TALLAHASSEE, April 16, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved the following:

A Memorial to the Congress of the United States asking the purchase of Appomattox for purposes of a national park, and the erection of a memorial monument therein.

And have filed the same with the Secretary of State.

Very respectfully,
H. L. MITCHELL,
Governor of Florida.

Special Order.

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, the consideration of the special order was taken up.

Senate Bill No. 86 :

A bill to be entitled an act relating to fire insurance policies, prescribing a rule of evidence and measure of damage in case of loss.

Mr. Hartridge offered the following amendment:

In line 4, section 1, strike out all after the word "property" and substitute therefor the words, "but the insurer shall have the opportunity of showing the value of the property at the time of its destruction, which value shall be the measure of recovery in all suits instituted on said policy."

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Hartridge withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Adams offered the following amendment:

Strike out all after the enacting clause.

Mr. Adams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Pending which a message was received from the Governor

The yeas and nays were called for on the adoption of Mr. Adams' amendment to Senate Bill No. 86.

Upon call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Chipley,

Daniel, Darby, Fleming, Genovar, Hartridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McLeran, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Wadsworth and Whidden—20.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Blitch of 21st, Broome, Dougherty, McKinney, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Thompson, Weeks and Williamson—11.

So the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that the Senate do now adjourn; Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailev, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Fleming, Hartridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McKinney, McLeran, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Thompson, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden and Williamson—27.

A quorum present.

By permission—

Mr. McLeran, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 17, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to authorize the appointment of a State Inspector of illuminating oils and fluids and to define his duties, being chapter 4160 of the Laws of Florida.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

A. W. MCLEBAN,
Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Dougherty, of the special conference committee on Senate Bill No. 22, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 17, 1895.)

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your special committee appointed to confer with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives upon House amendment to

Senate Bill No. 22:

A bill to be entitled an act establishing a fine and forfeiture fund in the several counties—regulating the payment of criminal costs—authorizing a special tax for said costs, and providing for the feed of prisoners and hire of convicts;

Beg leave to report:

That the matter of conference was the disagreement on House amendment to said bill, making the pay for feed of prisoners not more than twenty five cents per day instead of forty cents, as fixed by the Senate. After full and free conference, your committee on the part of the Senate have agreed to recommend as follows :

That the pay for feeding prisoners confined in county jails shall not exceed thirty cents per day, the effect of which will be to fix the sum of thirty cents as a maximum to be allowed for such purpose. Therefore your committee recommend that the Senate amend the House amendment by striking out the words "twenty five" and inserting the word "thirty," and that the committee on the part of the House recommend that the House recede from its amendment, and the House concur in the amendment as amended by the Senate, when the same is certified to the House.

N. A. BLITCH,
CHARLES DOUGHERTY.

J. L. GASKINS,
G. P. HEALY,

Members House Committee.

Mr. Dougherty moved that the amendment offered by the special committee of conference be adopted;
Which was agreed to.

Bills on Second Reading.

Senate Bill No. 46:

Entitled an act to amend section 1761 of the Revised Stat-

utes of the State of Florida, relating to the landlords' lien for rent,

Was taken up and read the second time in full and ordered engrossed for a third reading.

Senate Bill No. 85:

Entitled an act in relation to crimes and criminal proceedings and procedure,

Together with the amendments was taken up.

Mr. Palmer of 14th offered the following amendment:

To the last line of section 5 add "but the person paying said costs and fine, or giving such bond as aforesaid, if the prisoner shall abscond, desert or quit before he shall have paid the costs and fine so paid, or the amount of the bond so given, shall not be required to pay any other or future amount than that worked out by the prisoner in payment of said fine and costs, or bond so given by his hirer."

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved the adoption of the amendment; Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Palmer of 14th offered the following amendment:

Beginning with line 8, section 5, strike all out of lines 8 and 9 down to the semi-colon ending with the word "force," and substitute therefor the words "at the time the amount of the costs and fine as paid or secured by bond will be paid or fall due at the rate of 25 cents per day."

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved the adoption of the amendment; Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Palmer of 14th offered the following amendment:

In line 9, section 5, strike out all after the word "force," and strike out all of lines 10, 11 and 12, and the words "the court" in line 13.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Darby moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed, and 200 copies be printed, together with pending amendment;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Palmer's of 14th amendment was not agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 85, together with the amendments attached, was ordered engrossed for a third reading.

Senate Bill No. 49:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 3031 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read the second time in full, together with the amendment offered by the committee.

Mr. Bitch offered the following amendment to committee amendment:

Strike out "forty cents" and substitute therefor the words "thirty cents."

Mr. Blitch moved the adoption of the amendment to the committee amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dougherty moved that the amendment as amended be adopted;

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 49 was ordered engrossed for a third reading.

Senate Bill No. 70:

A bill to be entitled an act making confinement in the State prison a ground for divorce,

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

And Senate Bill No. 70 was ordered engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Thompson moved that Senate Joint Resolution No. 176 A, committee's substitute for Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 4, 5, 8, 19, 20 and 21,

Be taken up out of its regular order and considered;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And committee's substitute for Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 4, 5, 8, 19, 20 and 21 was read a second time in full.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Joint Resolution No. 176 A, substitute offered by the committee, be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Fleming, Hartridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McKinney, McLeran, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Thompson, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden and Williamson—29.

Nays—None.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 176 A, being committee's substitute for Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 4, 5, 8, 19, 20 and 21,

Having received three fifths of all the members elected to the Senate, was passed and ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the Committee on Engrossed Bills be requested to return to the Senate for amendment Senate Bill No. 70;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 70 was returned to the Senate by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 70 was again taken up for amendment.

Mr. Palmer of 11th offered the following amendment:

Strike out all section 1 and substitute therefor the following.
 "Section 1. That hereafter the imprisonment of any married person in the State penitentiary of the State of Florida shall be a ground for an absolute divorce on the part of the husband or wife of the person so imprisoned."

Mr. Palmer of the 11th moved the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Palmer of 14th offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Add after the last line "Provided, The sentence to the penitentiary shall be for a period of five years or more."

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved the adoption of the amendment to the amendment;

Which was not agreed to.

The amendment as offered by Mr. Palmer of 11th was adopted, and Senate Bill No. 70 was ordered engrossed for a third reading.

By permission—

Mr. Thompson introduced :

Senate Bill No. 191:

A bill to be entitled an act to grant certain lands to aid in the construction of the Fernandina Western Railway Company.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 191 be read a first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 191 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By permission—

Mr. Williamson introduced:

Senate Bill No. 192:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the holding of party primaries and conventions, and to punish illegal voting and false swearing at the same.

Mr. Williamson moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 192 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 192 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Chipley moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 128 and the substitute offered by the committee therefor, be taken up out of its order and read the second time;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 128:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 936 of the Re-

vised Statutes of Florida, relative to the protection of ports and harbors,

Together with committee substitute therefor, was read the second time in full.

Mr. Perrenot moved that the committee's substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill.

Pending which—

Mr. Darby moved that the bill and substitute for Senate Bill No. 128 lay on the table, and 200 copies of the substitute be printed ;

Which was agreed to.

The following message from the Governor was handed down by the President:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
TALLAHASSEE, April 17, 1895. }

HON F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have the honor to inform the Senate that I have to-day approved the following, to-wit:

"An act to establish a criminal court of record in the county of Monroe,"

Which originated in the Senate, and have filed the same with the Secretary of State.

Very respectfully,

H. L. MITCHELL,

Senate Bill No. 29:

Governor of Florida.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the establishment of pauper houses and farms in this State,

Was taken up and read the second time in full, together with the committee's amendments thereto.

Mr. Blich of the 20th moved the adoption of the following committee amendment:

Strike out the word "and" after "support," and substitute therefor the words "who is;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Blich of 20th moved the adoption of the following committee amendment:

In section 7, after the words "shall be given" insert "by such county;"

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 29 was ordered engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Blich of 21st moved that the Senate do now adjourn;

Which was agreed to.

There-upon the Senate stood adjourned until 10 o'clock Thursday morning, April 18, 1895.